

Official Proceedings

December 31, 2019
8:00 am

Chairman Zander called the meeting of the Stark County Board of Commissioners to order. All members present.

Agenda

Chairman Zander asked for any changes to the agenda. Commissioner Elkin added Taylor Rural Fire Department, and Chairman Zander added election of Chairman/Vice Chairman for 2020.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz

To approve the agenda with the changes.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Minutes

The December 3, 2019 Board of County Commissioner's meeting minutes were presented.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Franchuk **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin

To approve the December 3, 2019 Board of County Commissioner's meeting minutes as presented.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Accounts Payable

Commissioner Franchuk commented that the County Park contribution to the Southwest Motorcross amounts are not correct on the resolution, the amount should be a total of \$1,400.00.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin

To approve the accounts payable as presented, with the change to Southwest Motorcross.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Court Facility Grant

Kim Schwartz presented a Court Facility Grant to repurpose Judge Herauf's Chambers on the 3rd floor and move the Calendar Control Clerk to the office for improved access to judges and judges' staff. Estimated total cost would be \$3,720.00 with a local county match of 25% or \$930.00.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud

To authorize the Chairman sign the grant application.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Beer & Liquor Licenses

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud

To allow the Chairman to sign the 2020 Beer & Liquor licenses.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

Dennis Richard – Taxes

Auditor Kay Haag presented a request from Dennis Richard to waive the penalty on his 2018 real estate taxes. State's Attorney Tom Henning stated that on the back of our real estate tax statement it states that if taxes are not paid a penalty applies. No action taken.

207 K Exemption Plan Policy Amendment – Sheriff's Office

Lieutenant Eldon Mehrer presented an amendment to change the 84 hours scheduled to 80 schedule hours in a 14 day work period.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Arthaud **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz

To approve the amendment as presented.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Lieutenant Mehrer also requested increasing the fee for fingerprinting from \$15.00 to \$20.00.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Franchuk **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud

To increase the fingerprinting fee to \$20.00.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Taylor Rural Fire Department

Perry Zillich, representing the Taylor Rural Fire Department, requested funding to assist with the purchase of a truck and cost to build the unit. Cost estimate is \$95,000.00. Other funding has been secured.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz

To grant \$50,000 to Taylor Rural Fire Department to purchase this additional unit out of the Special Road & Bridge Fund.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Joint Powers Agreement – Planner

Auditor Haag presented the Amendment to the JPA between Stark County and City of Dickinson, with the change in verbiage requested by the City to read "the City shall also pay 50% of professional development, not to exceed \$750.00 annually to the County for the cost of licensing or professional education expenses necessary, including travel for the Planner to maintain his or her credentials and certification".

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin

To authorize the Chairman to sign the Amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Budget Variances

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz

To amend the General Fund by \$242,874.99.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Franchuk

To amend the Farm to Market Road Fund by \$1,787,677.19.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud
To transfer \$2,000,000.00 from the Highway Tax Distribution Fund to Unorganized Road
& Bridge Fund.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud
To amend the Special Road & Bridge Fund by \$290,152.05, which includes the Taylor
Rural Fire Department grant.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Franchuk **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To amend the Jail Fund by \$55,145.69.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To amend the Estimate Fund by \$3,457.08.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Arthaud **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Franchuk
To amend the Security Reimbursement Fund by \$.46.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud
To amend the Hazardous Chemical Prep Fund by \$26,799.26.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz
To amend the Other Reimbursements Fund by \$592,415.91
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Franchuk **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud
To amend the Special Operations Fund by \$631.59.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud
To amend the New England Ambulance Fund by \$37,591.52.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Arthaud **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To amend the Hebron Ambulance Fund by \$4,194.96.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Franchuk **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz
To amend the Job Development Authority Fund by \$3,441.14.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud
To amend the Water Resource Fund by \$1,915.59.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud
To amend the Library Fund by \$16,009.79.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Franchuk **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz
To amend the Airport Fund by \$2,837.98.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried.

Election of Chairman/Vice Chairman

Commissioner Elkin nominated Pete Kuntz as Chairman.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Arthaud
To cast the unanimous ballot for Commissioner Kuntz as Chairman.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Newly elected Chairman Kuntz opened up nominations for Vice Chairman. Commissioner Arthaud nominated Dean Franchuk as Vice Chairman.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Arthaud **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To cast the unanimous ballot for Commissioner Franchuk as Vice/Chairman.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent – Truck Reg Permit

Mr. Heiser reported that Marathon Refinery will be requesting a permit for two big loads weighing 1 million plus pounds each. Marathon had a study done to see if the bridge it will be crossing can handle the weight. NDDOT has also reviewed the project and feels it would be satisfactory to cross. Mr. Heiser has sent an email to Marathon requesting that Marathon take full responsibility for the crossing of the bridge in the event an unforeseen action would result. Mr. Heiser would also like to have another inspection done after the crossing to make sure no physical damage was done.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To authorize the Road Superintendent to approve the permit with the understanding that Marathon Refinery will accept any and all responsibility.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Complaint

Commissioner Elkin requested that Commissioner Arthaud, Commissioner Franchuk and Sheriff Lee address the letter of complaint received on an officer in the Sheriff's Office.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin
To adjourn the meeting.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried

SECOND BY: Commissioner Arthaud

Kay Haag, Auditor

Ken Zander, Chairman